

SOMALIA









GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Mohamed ABDULLAHI Mohamed "Farmaajo"

Head of Government

Prime Minister Hassan Ali KHAYRE

Government Type

federal parliamentary republic

Capital

Mogadishu

Legislature

bicameral Federal Parliament consists of the Upper House (54 seats) and the House of the People (275 seats)

Judiciary

Constitutional Court (consists of 5 judges, including the chief judge, deputy chief judge)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Ali Sharif AHMED

US Ambassador

Ambassador Donald YAMAMOTO

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 637,657 sq km Land: 627,337 sq km Water: 10,320 sq km

Climate

principally desert; northeast monsoon (December to February), moderate temperatures in north, hot in south; southwest monsoon (May to October), torrid in the north, hot in the south, irregular rainfall, hot and humid periods (tangambili) between monsoons

Natural Resources

uranium and largely unexploited reserves of iron ore, tin, gypsum, bauxite, copper, salt, natural gas, likely oil reserves

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

despite the lack of effective national governance, maintains an informal economy largely based on livestock, remittance/money transfer companies, and telecommunications; agriculture is the most important sector, with livestock normally accounting for about 40% of GDP and more than 50% of export earnings

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$20.44 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

N/A

Exports

\$819 million (2014 est.)

partners: Oman 31.7%, Saudi Arabia 18.7%, UAE 16.3%, Nigeria 5.1%, Yemen 4.8%, Pakistan 4% (2017)

Imports

\$94.4 billion (2018 est.)

partners: China 17.6%, India 17.2%, Ethiopia 10.5%, Oman 10.3%, Kenya 6.9%, Turkey 5.3%, Malaysia 4.1% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

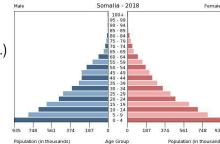
11.3 million (July 2018 est.)

Population Growth

2.08% (2018 est.)

Ethnicity

Somali 85%, Bantu and other non-Somali 15% (including 30,000 Arabs)



Language

Somali, Arabic, Italian, English

Religion

Sunni Muslim

Urbanization

urban population: 45.6% of total population (2019)

rate of urbanization: 4.23% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)